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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: EXAMINING BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPISTS AND

ATHLETICS TRAINERS

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, First floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: July 24, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

W. Wayne Woodzell, Vice-Chairperson, Professional Member Julie Knowles, Secretary, Professional Member Amy Blansfield, Professional Member Tyler Luff, Public Member Waheedah Shabazz, Public Member Damien McGovern, Professional Member Samuel Sullivan, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General Gayle Melvin, Administrative Specialist III Sandy Wagner, Administrative Specialist III

MEMBERS ABSENT

Laura Schmitt, Chairperson, Professional Member Jeffrey Schneider, Professional Member Cheryl Fruchtman, Public Member

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Woodzell called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. Mr. Sullivan was welcomed to the Board. Ms. Melvin introduced Ms. Wagner, the new administrative specialist for the Board.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the April 24, 2012 meeting. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to approve the minutes. The motion was unanimously carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Review of Application by Reciprocity

The application of Paula Hood-Smith for licensure as a physical therapy assistant by reciprocity and the additional information that had been received regarding Ms. Hood-Smith's criminal history was reviewed by the Board. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to approve Ms. Hood-Smith's application. The motion was unanimously carried.

The additional information submitted by Ronaldo Portuguez regarding his application for licensure as a physical therapist by reciprocity was reviewed. It was decided to table Mr. Portuguez's application for further review by Ms. Heeney.

The application of Amar Sonar for licensure as a physical therapy assistant by reciprocity and the revised credential evaluation from the Foreign Credentialing Commission on Physical Therapy, Inc. was reviewed by the Board. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to approve Mr. Sonar's application. The motion was unanimously approved.

Review of Additional Information Requested by the Board from Dynamic Learning Online Regarding Previously Reviewed Courses

This item was tabled. Mr. Woodzell will review the additional information and report to the Board at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratify PT/PTA/AT Application by Examination

Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Shabazz, to ratify licensure by examination for the following persons:

Jonathan Janik (AT) Gina Canayon (PT) Alexander Salinas (AT) Robert Tolson (PTA) Amanda Hunter (PTA) David Bergamo (AT) Susan Stryker (AT) Hilary Boyce (AT)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Ratify PT/PTA/AT Applications by Reciprocity

Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to ratify licensure by reciprocity for the following persons:

Carol Corpuz (PT)
Kyle Terry (PT)
Molly Weber (PT)
Nathan Weigel (AT)
Amanda Schieber (PT)
Timothy Hession (PTA)
Margaret Walsh (AT)
Amy Humphrey (PT)
Kevin Scheler (PT)
Darrin Heffer (PT)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Applications for Examination

The Board reviewed the application of Claimene Chalme for licensure as a physical therapist by examination. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to propose to deny Ms. Chalme's application because she did not graduate from an approved school offering a program in physical therapy. The motion was unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application of Beya Njamiko for licensure as a physical therapist assistant by examination. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to propose to deny Ms. Njamiko's application because she does not meet the education requirements. The motion was unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application of Jason Trenholm for licensure as a physical therapist by examination. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to propose to deny Mr. Trenholm's application because he does not meet the education requirements. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Application for Reinstatement

The Board reviewed the application of Michael Finnan for licensure as a physical therapist by reinstatement. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to approve Mr. Finnan's application for reinstatement. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education Courses

Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Knowles, to approve the following continuing education courses:

PESI Healthcare

Critical Evaluative and Assessment Skills to Determine the Musculo-Skeletal vs Medical Patient-Red Flags - .6 CEUs

Orthopedics: Beyond Broken Bones - .3 CEUs

duPont Hospital for Children

Annual Pediatric Therapy Conference - .583 CEUs

The motion was unanimously carried.

The Board decided to table the remainder of the continuing education courses pending review by Mr. Woodzell.

Status of Complaints

Complaint No. 14-01-11 - Closed

Complaint No. 14-02-11 – Referred to the Attorney General's Office

Complaint No. 14-03-11 - Dismissed

Complaint No. 14-05-11 – Referred to the Attorney General's Office

Complaint No. 14-02-12 – Assigned to Ms. Blansfield

Ms. Knowles reported that she had spoken with Jean Betley of the Investigative Office concerning complaints that are dismissed by the Attorney General's Office and the letter that is sent out to the complainant regarding the dismissal of the complaint. A dismissed complaint could mean that the complaint that has been resolved by a Deputy Attorney General and there is no need to pursue the complaint any further. Ms. Knowles reported that Ms. Betley will discuss changing the wording in the dismissal letter with Mr. Collins.

Review of Application by Reciprocity

The Board reviewed the application of Megan Smith for licensure as a physical therapist by reciprocity. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Shabazz, to table Ms. Smith's application and request a clarification of her answer to question #12 on the application. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Request for Reactivation of License

The Board reviewed the letter from Oliver Santiago requesting reactivation of his physical therapist's license. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to notify Mr. Santiago that according to the rules and regulations, he needs proof that he has been actively engaged in the practice of physical therapy for the past five years or he has to work in a clinical setting under the direct supervision of a physical therapist in Delaware for a minimum of six months. The motion was unanimously carried.

OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED

Discussion: Proposed Revisions to the Statute

Ms. Heeney provided Board members with a draft of proposed changes to the statute. She asked that members review the draft and provide any other changes that they may have. Ms. Melvin will forward the draft to Board members by email. This item will be on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (for discussion only)

There was no other business before the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this meeting.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 24, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. in Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Knowles, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sayle & Melvin

Gayle L. Melvin

Administrative Specialist III